

General Assembly

Committee Bill No. 5001

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Referred to Committee on Select Committee on Aging

Introduced by: (AGE)

AN ACT CONCERNING INCREASED ACCESS TO THE STATE'S ASSISTED LIVING PILOT PROJECTS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 Section 1. Subsection (a) of section 17b-365 of the general statutes is
- 2 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective July
- 3 1, 2007):
- 4 (a) The Commissioner of Social Services may, within available
- 5 appropriations, establish and operate a pilot program to allow
- 6 individuals to receive assisted living services, provided by an assisted
- 7 living services agency licensed by the Department of Public Health in
- 8 accordance with chapter 368v. In order to be eligible for the program,
- 9 an individual shall: (1) Reside in a managed residential community, as
- defined by the regulations of the Department of Public Health; (2) be
- 11 ineligible to receive assisted living services under any other assisted
- 12 living pilot program established by the General Assembly; and (3) be
- 13 eligible for services under the Medicaid waiver portion of the
- 14 Connecticut home-care program for the elderly established under
- section 17b-342. The total number of individuals enrolled in said pilot
- 16 program, when combined with the total number of individuals

- 17 enrolled in the pilot program established pursuant to section 17b-366,
- 18 shall not exceed [seventy-five] three hundred individuals. The
- 19 Commissioner of Social Services shall operate said pilot program in
- 20 accordance with the Medicaid rules established pursuant to 42 USC
- 21 1396p(c), as from time to time amended.

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- Sec. 2. Subsection (a) of section 17b-366 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July* 1, 2007):
 - (a) The Commissioner of Social Services may, within available appropriations, establish and operate a pilot program to allow individuals to receive assisted living services, provided by an assisted living services agency licensed by the Department of Public Health, in accordance with chapter 368v. In order to be eligible for the pilot program, an individual shall: (1) Reside in a managed residential community, as defined by the regulations of the Department of Public Health; (2) be ineligible to receive assisted living services under any other assisted living pilot program established by the General Assembly; and (3) be eligible for services under the state-funded portion of the Connecticut home-care program for the elderly established under section 17b-342. The total number of individuals enrolled in said pilot program, when combined with the total number of individuals enrolled in the pilot program established pursuant to section 17b-365, shall not exceed [seventy-five] three hundred individuals. The Commissioner of Social Services shall operate said pilot program in accordance with the Medicaid rules established pursuant to 42 USC 1396p(c), as from time to time amended.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following		
sections:		
Section	July 1, 2007	17b-365(a)
Sec. 2	July 1, 2007	17b-366(a)

Statement of Purpose:

To permit an additional seventy-five persons to participate in the state's assisted living pilot projects.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]

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